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April 13, 2004

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Dear Sir/Madam,

This is to deny your refund request in the amount of \$385.00, for patent/serial number 10688221.

The statute of limitations ran out on this, the rule is you have 3 months to change the entity status. That would have been January 23, 2004

Sincerely,

ELEANOR KURTZ
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